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SUBJECT: VOLUNTARY VISITOR: KIM HAK-SOO

1. DR. KIM HAK-SOO, PROFESSOR OF EDUCATION, TEACHERS COLLEGE, KYUNGPOOK NATIONAL UNIVERSITY, VISITING U.S. ABOUTTHREE MONTHS BEGINNING AUGUST 2 ON UNESCO GRANT TO VISIT INSTITUTIONS CONCERNED WITH EDUCATION OF MENTAL RETARDATION. KOREAN NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR UNESCO AND DR. KIM HAVE ASKED POST FACILITATE KIM'S VISIT BY MAKING APPOINTMENTS TO VISIT KEY INSTITUTIONS CONCERNED.

2. CURRENTLY CHAIRMAN OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE OF NEW ELHI BASED ASIAN FEDERATION ON MENTALLY RETARDED, KIM IS ONE OF MOST ACTIVE FIGURES IN KOREAN SPECIAL EDUCATION AND POST CONSIDERS DEPT ASSISTANCE WILL NOT ONLY ENABLE KIM MAKE MEANINGFUL CONTACTS WITH PROFESSIONAL COLLEAGUES IN U.S. BUT WILL ALSO CONTRIBUTE TO POST OBJECTIVES. POST WOULD APPRECIATE DEPT PROVIDING WHATEVER FACILITATIVE ASSISTANCE POSSIBLE, ESPECIALLY IN MAKING INITIAL CONTACTS WITH KEY ORGANIZATIONS AND PERSONS IN MAJOR STOPS.

3. BORN IN TAEGU, KOREA SEPTEMBER 5, 1919, KIM GRADUATED FROM SEOUL NARMAL SCHOOL IN 1940; STUDIED AT TAEGU TEACHERS COLLEGE, 1946-49; AND GEORGE PEABODY COLLEGE FOR TEACHERS 1960-61 (UNDER AID SPONSORSHIP). RECEIVED PH. D. IN PEDAGOGICS FROM  
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KYUNGPOOK NATIONAL UNIVERSITY IN 1972. TAUGHT PSYCHOLOGY AND

ETHICS AT SECONDARY SCHOOLS IN TAEGU AREA, 1949-54; WITH KYUNGPOOK NATIONAL UNIVERSITY SINCE 1954 SERVING IN SUCH POSTS AS DEAN OF TEACHERS COLLEGE, 1962-65; DEAN OF GRADUATE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION, 1971-75. VISITED MANILA, NOVEMBER 1973, AND TOKYO, NOVEMBER 1975 TO ATTEND FIRST AND SECOND ASIAN CONFERENCE ON MENTAL RETARDATION RESPECTIVELY. ALSO VISITED U.S. FOR STUDY, 1960-61. SPEAKS ADEQUATE ENGLISH, ABLE CARRY OUT CONTACTS WITHOUT INTERPRETER.

4. MAIN PURPOSE KIM'S VISIT IS TO COLLECT LATEST INSTRUCTION MATERIALS FOR MENTAL RETARDATION; STUDY NEW PROGRAMS FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHERS; AND VISIT APPROPRIATE SPECIAL SCHOOLS AND SPECIAL CLASSES. KIM PRESENTLY PLANS TO ARRIVE WASHDC AUGUST 2 AND WISHES MAKE INITIAL CONTACTS WITH HEW BUREAU OF EDUCATION FOR HANDICAPPED AND DR. GEORGE SOLOYANIS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, AMERICAN ASSOCIATION ON MENTAL DEFICIENCY, WHICH HOSTS FOURTH INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR SCIENTIFIC STUDY OF MENTAL DEFICIENCY TO BE HELD IN WASHDC AUGUST 22-27 (KIM PLANS ATTEND THIS CONFERENCE AND HAS WRITTEN TO SOLOYANIS). KIM CAN REMAIN IN WASHDC AREA UNTIL EARLY SEPTEMBER AND THEN WISHES VISIT FOLLOWING PLACES:

SEPT 13-22: WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA SPECIAL EDUCATION  
RESOURCES AND MATERIALS CENTER  
3 PARKING CENTER SUITE 202  
PITTSBURGH, PA. 15220

SEPT 23-OCT 2: THE TRAINING SCHOOL  
VINELAND LANDIS AVE. AND MAIN RD.  
VINELAND, NEW JERSEY

OCT 4-9: KENNEDY CHILD STUDY CENTER  
151 EAST 67TH ST.  
NEW YORK 21, NEW YORK

KIM DOES NOT INTEND SPEND WHOLE PERIOD INDICATED ABOVE AT INSTITUTIONS LISTED BUT PLANS MOVE FLEXIBLY AS HIS DISCUSSIONS WITH ABOVE LISTED INSTITUTIONS DEVELOP.

5. AS HIS PLAN SEEMS RATHER VAGUE, POST SUGGESTED HE FIRST  
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DISCUSS WITH CU PROGRAM OFFICER AND FIRM UP HIS ITINERARY UPON CONSULATATION. KIM WISHES HAVE ONE DAY REST UPON ARRIVAL BUT CAN MEET WITH PROGRAM OFFICER AUGUST 4 IF ACCEPTABLE.

6. PLEASE ADVISE ASAP IF DEPT CAN PROVIDE ASSISTANCE.  
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